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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS
FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING JUNE 17, 1975:

Q. IN THE NEXT STEP ON THE MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS, HAS
THE UNITED STATES CONVEYED TO EGYPT THE VIEWS IT HAS
RECEIVED FROM ISRAEL?

A. AMBASSADOR HERMANN EILTS HAS JUST RETURNED. HE IS HERE
IN WASHINGTON NOW. HE WILL BE FULLY BRIEFED ON THE VISIT
TO WASHINGTON OF PRIME MINISTER RABIN, AND HE WILL THEN
RETURN TO CAIRO TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH PRESIDENT SADAT.
MY GUESS IS THAT TOWARDS THE LATTER PART OF THIS WEEK,
AMBASSADOR EILTS SHOULD BE ON HIS WAY BACK. BUT DON'T HOLD
ME TO IT EXACTLY, WHEN HE IS GOING TO DEPART.

Q. IS IT ASSUMED, THEN, THAT THE DIPLOMATIC CONTACTS WILL
BE CARRIED OUT IN THAT WAY -- THAT THE AMBASSADORS IN EACH
COUNTRY WILL BE SEEING THE APPROPRIATE LEADERS FOR THE

NEXT PERIOD?

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A. WELL, IT WILL BE DONE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE. IT IS
MY UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WILL BE DONE THROUGH DIPLOMATIC
CHANNELS -- WHETHER IT WILL BE ALWAYS, SAY IN WASHINGTON
OR ALWAYS IN CAIRO, THERE WILL BE TELEGRAMS GOING BACK
AND FORTH, I AM SURE. BUT I THINK IT WAS FELT IN THIS
CASE AT LEAST INITIALLY IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL TO HAVE
AMBASSADOR EILTS COME BACK, HAVE PERSONAL CONSULTATIONS
WITH THE SECRETARY AND OTHERS, AND THEN RETURN TO CAIRO

AND DISCUSS THE SITUATION WITH PRESIDENT SADAT.

Q. IS ANY CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TO A SPECIAL ENVOY FOLLOWING THAT?

A. I AM ABSOLUTELY UNAWARE OF ANY SUCH CONSIDERATION.

Q. IS THE SECRETARY GOING TO BE SEEING ANY OTHER ARAB LEADERS, APART FROM MR. KHADDAM NEXT WEEK -- OR THIS WEEK, I GUESS IT IS.

A. I BELIEVE HE IS SEEING FOREIGN MINISTER KHADDAM AT THE END OF THE THIS WEEK, YES. I AM UNAWARE OF UNH OTHER ARAB LEADERS THAT HE WILL BE SEEING, THAT ARE PLANNING TO COME TO WASHINGTON. I AM UNAWARE. IF THERE ARE ANY, I WILL LET YOU KNOW.

Q. DO YOU HAVE A SCHEDULE ON KHADDAM? IS IT FRIDAY THEY ARE MEETING?

A. I DO NOT HAVE THE DETAILED SCHEDULE YET. FRIDAY IS WHEN FOREIGN MINISTER KHADDAM IS DUE TO ARRIVE, AND AS SOON AS I GET THE FULL SCHEDULE, I WILL MAKE IT AVAILABLE. KISSINGER

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